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This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining	(3)	(4) Highest number	(5)	(6)	(7)
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Total claims	39	Minus	= 39	0×	\$18(9)	= \$0.00
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